

## **HISTORIC LANDMARK PRESERVATION AGREEMENT**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, by and between the City of San Jose, a municipal corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "CITY") and Marcus & Hullene Salomon (hereinafter referred to as the "OWNER").

### **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, California Government Code Section 50280, et seq. and Chapter 13.48 of the San Jose Municipal Code authorize CITY to enter into contracts with the owners of qualified historical property to provide for the use, maintenance and restoration of such historical property so to retain its characteristics as property of historical significance; and

**WHEREAS**, OWNER possesses fee title in and to that certain real property, together with associated structures and improvements thereon, the Ames House (City Landmark Number HL08-172), located at 186 N. Fifteenth Street (hereinafter such property shall be referred to as the "Historic Landmark"). A legal description of the Historic Landmark is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 2, 2008 the City Council of the City of San Jose adopted a Resolution thereby declaring and designating the Historic Landmark as a historic landmark structure pursuant to the terms and provisions of Chapter 13.48 of the San Jose Municipal Code; and

**WHEREAS**, CITY and OWNER for the mutual benefit, now desire to enter into this Agreement both to protect and preserve the characteristic of historical significance of the Historic Landmark and to qualify the Historic Landmark for an assessment of valuation pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 3, of Part 2, of Division 1 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code.

## **AGREEMENT**

**NOW THEREFORE**, CITY and OWNER, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions set forth herein, do hereby agree as follows:

**1. Effective Date and Term of Agreement.** This Agreement shall be effective and commence on \_\_\_\_\_, 2008 (the "Effective Date"), and shall remain in effect for a term of ten (10) years thereafter. Each year upon the anniversary of the Effective Date, such initial term will automatically be extended as provided in Section 2, below.

**2. Renewal.** Each year on the anniversary of the Effective Date of this Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Renewal Date"), a year shall automatically be added to the initial term of this Agreement unless notice of nonrenewal is mailed as provided herein. If either OWNER or CITY desires in any year not to renew the Agreement, OWNER or CITY shall serve written notice of nonrenewal of the Agreement on the other party in advance of the annual Renewal Date of the Agreement. Unless such notice is served by OWNER to CITY at least ninety (90) days prior to the annual Renewal Date, or served by CITY to OWNER at least sixty (60) days prior to the annual Renewal Date, one (1) year shall automatically be added to the term of the Agreement as provided herein. Upon receipt by OWNER of a notice of nonrenewal from CITY, OWNER may make a written protest of the non-renewal. CITY may, at any time prior to

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the annual Renewal Date of the Agreement, withdraw its notice to OWNER of nonrenewal. If either CITY or OWNER serves notice to the other of nonrenewal in any year, the Agreement shall remain in effect and the property shall remain enforceably restricted for the balance of the term then remaining, either from its original execution or from the past renewal of the Agreement, whichever may apply. The Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement shall record the Notice of Nonrenewal and file a copy with the Assessor of Santa Clara County. Nonrenewal shall not be deemed a cancellation pursuant to Section 6 of this Agreement.

**3. Standards for Historical Property.** During the term of this Agreement, the Historic Landmark shall be subject to the following conditions, requirements and restrictions:

a. OWNER shall preserve and maintain the characteristic of historical significance of the Historic Landmark in no less than equal to the condition of the property as of August 29, 1997, the date on which OWNER acquired the property. OWNER shall document the existing condition of the Historic Landmark by providing to CITY on the Effective Date a minimum of four (4) current and clear photographs of each elevation of the Historic Landmark structure, of any character-defining or historically significant features of the Historic Landmark structure or property, and of any areas of the Historic Landmark for which improvements are planned or intended by OWNER. Attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and incorporated herein by this reference is a list of those minimum standards and conditions for maintenance, use and preservation of the Historic Landmark, which shall apply to such property and with which OWNER shall comply throughout the term of this Agreement.

b. OWNER shall, where necessary or required, restore and rehabilitate the property in full accordance with the rules and regulations of the Office of Historic Preservation of the State Department of Parks and Recreation and with the

requirements of Chapter 13.48 of the San Jose Municipal Code, including any permits or approvals granted pursuant to that Chapter. Without limiting the foregoing, OWNER shall perform all of the restoration and rehabilitation activities of the Historic Landmark set forth on Exhibit "C," attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, within any timelines that may be set forth in said Exhibit C.

c. OWNER shall allow reasonable periodic examinations, by prior appointment, of the interior and exterior of the Historic Landmark by representatives of the County Assessor, State Department of Parks and Recreation, State Board of Equalization and CITY as may be necessary to determine OWNER's compliance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

d. OWNER shall annually expend an amount equal to a minimum of 10% of the annual tax savings attributed to this Agreement for the preservation and maintenance of the Historic Landmark.

**4. Force Majeure.** OWNER shall not be held responsible for repair or replacement of the Historic Landmark if damaged or destroyed through "Acts of God," such as flood, tornado, lightning, earthquake or fire or other cause resulting therefrom; CITY shall, however, have the right to cancel this Agreement pursuant to terms of Section 6, Cancellation.

**5. Provisions of Information of Compliance.** OWNER hereby agrees to furnish CITY with any and all information requested by CITY that may be necessary or advisable to determine compliance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement. OWNER shall retain, store and preserve during the term of this Agreement all records that are related to or that evidence the eligibility of the Historic Landmark or OWNER's compliance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

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**6. Cancellation.** CITY, following a duly noticed public hearing, may cancel this Agreement if it determines that OWNER breached any of the conditions of this Agreement or has allowed the property to deteriorate to the point that it no longer meets the standards for a qualified historic landmark. CITY also may cancel this Agreement if it determines that OWNER has failed to restore or rehabilitate the property or Historic Landmark in the manner specified in Subsection 3(b) of this Agreement. In the event of cancellation pursuant to this Section 6, OWNER may be subject to payment of those cancellation fees set forth in the California Government Code. Prior to any procedures set forth in this Section, CITY shall give notice of breach to OWNER and OWNER shall have one hundred and twenty (120) days to cure such breach to the reasonable satisfaction of CITY.

**7. Binding Effect of Agreement.** This Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, all successors in interest of OWNER. A successor in interest shall have the same rights and obligations under this Agreement as OWNER.

**8. Notice.** Any notice required to be given by the terms of this Agreement shall be provided at the address of the respective parties as specified below or at any other address as may be later specified by the parties hereto.

CITY: City Clerk  
City of San José  
200 East Santa Clara Street  
San José, CA 95113

OWNER: Marcus and Hullene Salomon  
186 N. Fifteenth Street  
San Jose, CA 95112

**9. General Provisions.**

a. None of the terms, provisions or conditions of this Agreement shall be deemed to create a partnership between the parties hereto and any of their heirs, successors or assigns, nor shall such terms, provisions or conditions cause them to be considered joint ventures or members of any joint enterprise.

b. OWNER agrees to and shall hold CITY and its elected officials, officers, agents and employees harmless from liability from damage or claims for damage for personal injuries, including death, and claims for property damage which may arise from the direct use or operations of OWNER or those of OWNER's contractor, subcontractor, agent, employee or other person acting on OWNER's behalf which relate to the use, operation and maintenance of the Historic Landmark. OWNER hereby agrees to and shall defend the CITY and its elected officials, officers, agents and employees with respect to any and all actions for damages caused by, or alleged to have been caused by, reason of OWNER's activities in connection with the Historic Landmark. This hold harmless provision applies to all damages and claims for damages suffered, or alleged to have been suffered, by reason of the operations referred to in this Agreement regardless of whether or not the CITY prepared, supplied or approved the plans, specifications or other documents for the Historic Landmark.

c. In the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement are held to be unenforceable or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, or by subsequent preemptive legislation, the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions, or portions thereof, shall not be affected thereby.

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**"CITY"**

CITY OF SAN JOSE, a municipal  
corporation

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_  
RENÉE A. GURZA  
Senior Deputy City Attorney

By \_\_\_\_\_  
LEE PRICE, MMC  
City Clerk

**"OWNER"**

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Marcus Salomon

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Hullene Salomon

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**EXHIBIT "A"**

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION  
FOR  
186 N. Fifteenth Street  
(See attached)**



**EXHIBIT "B"**

OWNER shall, where necessary, restore and rehabilitate the Historic Landmark and shall do so only in full accordance and compliance with the rules and regulations of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring and Reconstructing Historic Buildings, as the same may be amended from time to time.

A summary of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (the "Standards") is provided below for convenient reference. OWNER shall comply with the Standards in effect when OWNER commences any rehabilitation or restoration work on the Historic Landmark.

The Standards (Department of the Interior Regulations, 36 CFR 67) pertain to historic buildings of all materials, construction, types, sizes, and occupancy and encompass the exterior and the interior, related landscape features and the building's site and environment as well as attached, adjacent, or related new construction. The Standards are to be applied to specific rehabilitation projects in a reasonable manner, taking into consideration economic and technical feasibility.

- 1) A property shall be used for its historic purposes or be placed in a new use that requires minimal change to the defining characteristics of the building and its site and environment.
- 2) The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.
- 3) Each property shall be recognized as a physical record of its time, place, and use. Changes that create a false sense of historical development, such as adding conjectural features or architectural element from other buildings, shall not be undertaken.
- 4) Most properties change over time; those changes that have acquired historic significance in their own right shall be retained and preserved.
- 5) Distinctive features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a historic property shall be preserved.
- 6) Deteriorated historic features shall be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new

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feature shall match the old in design, color, texture, and other visual qualities and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features shall be substantiated by documentary, physical or pictorial evidence.

- 7) Chemical or physical treatments, such as sandblasting, that cause damage to historic materials, shall not be used. The surface cleaning of structures, if appropriate, shall be undertaken using the gentlest means possible.
- 8) Significant archaeological resources affected by a project shall be protected and preserved. If such resources must be disturbed, mitigation measures shall be undertaken.
- 9) New additions, exterior alterations or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment.
- 10) New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

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**EXHIBIT "C"**  
**Historical Property Contract, File No. MA08-004**  
**Preservation Plan**  
**186 N. Fifteenth Street, Ames House**

OWNER shall annually expend the amount equal to a minimum of 10% of the annual tax savings attributed to this Agreement for the preservation and maintenance of the Historic Landmark. The rehabilitation of the Historic Landmark shall be completed on or before the 10th anniversary of the Effective Date of this Agreement. Such rehabilitation shall include all of the following tasks:

**Scope of Work**

- Repair porch railing
- Repair exterior siding
- Original woodwork restoration
- Downspout restoration
- Original door and hardware restoration
- Interior wall restoration

After the 10th Anniversary date of the Effective Date of this Agreement, Owner shall annually expend an amount equal to a minimum of 10% of the annual tax savings attributed to this Agreement for the continued preservation and maintenance of the historic Landmark and more specifically shall perform and complete but without limitation the following tasks each year:

- Maintenance
- Painting
- Repairs